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## Commencement Calendar

### Saturday, May 26, "Alumnae Day"

11:00 A.M.—Annual Meeting of Alumnae Association, Pierce Chapel

Speaker, **Willie (Snow) Ethridge**, A.B. 1920, Litt.D. University of Kentucky  
Alumnae Trustee

Induction of the class of 1945

Solo, **Vladimir Zorin**, Voice Department  
Organist and Accompanist, Doris Onderdonk Jelks

Presentation of the Alumnae Loyalty Fund to President  
N. C. McPherson, Jr.

Presentation of Retiring Faculty Members

1:30 P.M.—Dormitory Lunch (Reservation necessary)

Business session immediately following lunch

5:00 P.M.—Official Social Function, Student-Alumnae Tea, Wesleyan  
Conservatory

Special Honor Guests  
**Willie (Snow) Ethridge**  
**Lula (Johnson) Comer**  
**Maude F. Chaplin**

### Sunday, May 27

11:30 A.M.—Baccalaureate Sermon, Mulberry Street Methodist Church  
**Dr. John Branscomb**, Pastor Methodist Church, Orlando, Fla.

### Monday, May 28—Graduation Day

11:00 A.M.—Pierce Chapel

Speaker—**Lamar Trotti**, Writer for Twentieth Century-Fox,  
Hollywood, Calif.



# THE WESLEYAN ALUMNAE

## Willie (Snow) Ethridge To Speak On Alumnae Day, May 26

The Alumnae Association announces with a feeling of especial pride that its Alumnae Day speaker this year will be one of its own number, Willie (Snow) Ethridge, A.B. 1920, of Kentucky.

All who remember her scintillating personality as a student, and her charm and wit in presiding as toastmistress of many Wesleyan banquets, her prodigious energy and vitality and her keen intellect have not been surprised at the acclaim she has had in recent years. Her third book, "This Little Pig Stayed Home," published last year, has had wide success, and she has been in great demand as a speaker by organizations all over the country. Among the most recent of these was the North Carolina Press Institute at Chapel Hill in February.

Willie is State Chairman for Kentucky of the Russian War Relief, civilian adviser of the WAC for the Fifth Service Command, chairman of the speakers' bureau of the Kentucky War Fund, Alumnae Trustee of Wesleyan College. Her husband, Mark Ethridge, is publisher of the Courier-Journal and Louisville Times.

Always interested in writing, she studied journalism at Wesleyan under Miss M. Virginia Garner, who organized the department at the college. While a student she served as college correspondent and reporter of the Telegraph. She was married to Mark Ethridge when he was city editor of The Telegraph. One of her first articles to be accepted by a nationally known magazine was in Good Housekeeping shortly after their daughter, Mary Snow, was born. It was called "Pride Cometh After a Baby."

Her children and her books now number four each. Mary Snow is a college senior; Mark Jr. is with the French First Army as an ambulance driver; Georgia is a college sophomore; and David is six. Her books are: "As I Live and Breathe," "Mingled Yarn," "I'll Sing One Song" and "This Little Pig Stayed Home."

Willie was one of the members of "Esse Quam Videri," the little club to which Madame Chiang belonged as a child at Wesleyan. When China's First Lady returned to her Alma Mater in 1943, Willie was one of the special guests at the private dinner which was given for this club. Some of the most delightful accounts of the occasion came from Willie's

pen, and one chapter of her recent book tells informally and delightfully of the visit.

Widely traveled, deeply interested in all that is going on in the world, she has kept through the years the warm loyalty for her college which she had during her student years. Her annual gift to the Wesleyan Alumnae Loyalty Fund is always among the earliest to arrive, and is always a generous one. She has several times given a scholarship at Wesleyan for a student interested in journalism. Last year she gave a \$1,000 War bond through the Fund.

One of her Wesleyan friends said of her: "She has been able to keep the enthusiasm and spontaneity of youth while acquiring the breadth and depth of maturity." This is very true of her. She is, as a speaker, highly entertaining, but beneath all of her humor, she is sincere and thoughtful, and her fellow-alumnae look forward to hearing her on Alumnae Day.

Rosaline (Jenkins) Gilmore, national president, will preside, and she and Eleanor (McDonald) Elsas, vice-president in charge of the program, announce that other features will be the traditional and inspiring candle-lighting ceremony which will induct the Class of 1945 in the Alumnae Association; the nomination of the new trustee; the memorial service; and the presentation of the retiring faculty members.

The total results of the splendid efforts of the class representatives in securing gifts from their class-mates to the Wesleyan Alumnae Victory Crusade will be presented by check to President N. C. McPherson, Jr. for Endowment. The classes leading in amount, and in number of contributions will be announced.

Mr. Vladimir Zorin, the first member of the faculty to be appointed to the new professorship, the William E. and Marian L. Chenery Professor of Vocal Music, will sing. Doris Onderdonk Jelks will accompany him.

### The Dormitory Lunch

The Dormitory Lunch in the Conservatory Dining-Room will be for the convenience of the alumnae and will not be a function. There will be no program. Reservation is necessary and may be secured through Mr. Roy Domingos, the Conservatory.



WILLIE (SNOW) ETHRIDGE

### The Business Meeting

A brief Business Session will be held immediately following lunch.

### The Student-Alumnae Tea

Students and alumnae will join hands as hostesses at the tea on Alumnae Day in the Wesleyan Conservatory parlors, and three honor guests will be presented: Willie (Snow) Ethridge, Alumnae Trustee and Alumnae Day speaker; and two members of the faculty for more than thirty years, Lula (Johnson) Comer and Maude F. Chaplin.

Mrs. Comer, an alumna of Wesleyan, came to Wesleyan in 1913 as teacher of French. During the summers she took parties of girls to Europe, making these trips delightful and memorable for them . . . In recent years she has been Dean of Women at the Conservatory, teaching some also. She is a vivid and charming person as well as an excellent teacher, and her students admire and love her. She made plans a year ago to retire now as Resident Dean of Women, and at her request then, an Assistant Dean of Women, Miss Danelle Yates, was appointed. Miss Yates will now succeed her in that capacity. Mrs. Comer will be missed as the gracious hostess at the old college. She will continue as a member of the fac-



ulty, teaching some classes in French, and making her home in Macon.

Miss Maude Chaplin, coming to Wesleyan in 1914, organized the department of home economics and has been its head ever since. She has made the department one of the most popular and effective on the campus, and the laboratory a place many alumnae will remember all their lives for its sound teaching.

It would be difficult to name two more

gifted teachers, or two whom Wesleyan girls care for more sincerely. Present-day students and "old girls" who have left the college will take an unusual pleasure in showing them especial honor this Commencement for their long and valuable service to the college and conservatory.

Annie (Gantt) Anderson, president of the Macon Club, as general chairman of Commencement, is appointing committees and chairmen.

## Lamar Trotti To Make Commencement Address

Lamar Trotti, film writer for Twentieth Century-Fox, responsible for such successful motion pictures as "Alexander Graham Bell," "Young Mr. Lincoln," "Drums Along the Mohawk," "Wilson," "A Bell for Adano," and many others, will be Commencement speaker on May 28.

During the past twelve years, Mr. Trotti has written about 40 motion pictures, and recently has become a producer of his pictures as well as a writer.

Wesleyan feels an especial pride in the acclaim which has come to this Georgia writer. He is married to Louise Hall, daughter of May (Kennedy) Hall of the Wesleyan class of 1896. He and his wife own a beautiful hillside within a stone's throw of the Rivoli campus, where they plan to have a home some day "when the lights go on again."

Lamar Trotti was born in Kirkwood, now part of Atlanta, graduated at Boys' High School, and at the University of Georgia. He was a member of the Students' Army Corps in 1918, and was given an honorable discharge just before entering Officers' Training Camp in Louisville, Ky. After graduation he worked as a cub reporter, at no salary

whatever, on an Atlanta newspaper. By 1925 he was special writer and then City Editor of the Atlanta Georgian.

In 1925 he went to New York as assistant to Will H. Hays, President of Motion Picture Producers and Distributors of America, and in 1931 went to Hollywood with the Hays office, shortly afterward being associated with Fox Film Corporation, now Twentieth Century-Fox.

Darryl F. Zanuck, producer, said of Lamar Trotti, "He is one of the greatest scenario writers in motion pictures. He has turned out three masterpieces of screen writing in little more than a single year." His name in connection with any motion picture has become to the public a guarantee of its excellence. He wrote several of the late Will Rogers' pictures, notably "Judge Priest," "Life Begins at Forty," and "Steamboat Round the Bend." His current assignments are "The Razor's Edge" and "American Guerrilla in Philippines."

The Trottis have three children, Lamar, 12; John, 9; and Louise, 5. They live in Holmby Hills, Los Angeles, and Mrs. Trotti is president of the Los Angeles Junior League.



LULA (JOHNSON) COMER  
to be honored at Student-Alumnae Tea

Music and Art," in the Telegraph, says of the occasion: "During the brief visit, one had the impression that musical and artistic affairs are lively and flourishing in Atlanta, and that the projects and achievements of the Music Club there in which the Wesleyan alumnae are prominent, are, in particular, unique and remarkable."

### Gift for Conservatory Campus

The Atlanta Club sent a check for \$100 in April to be used for the purchase of azaleas to beautify the campus at Wesleyan Conservatory of Music and School of Fine Arts on College Street. The fund was raised by individual contributions of members.

## Baccalaureate Address

Dr. John Branscomb, pastor of the First Methodist Church of Orlando, Florida, president of the Board of Missions of the Southeastern Jurisdiction of the Methodist Church, will deliver the baccalaureate sermon this Commencement.

Dr. Branscomb received the B.Ph. degree from Emory University in 1926, and the B.D. in 1928. He attended Garrett Biblical Institute, Northwestern University, in 1931. In 1940, Florida Southern College conferred upon him the degree Doctor of Divinity.

For the past nine years Dr. Branscomb has served as Conference Missionary Secretary. He was for eight years pastor of the First Methodist Church in Tampa.

## Atlanta Alumnae Honor College Officials

The Wesleyan Alumnae Club of Atlanta, with Mabel (Campbell) Gibson as president, entertained a group of Wesleyan officials and faculty members in March on the occasion of a concert given in Atlanta by William Kapell, brilliant young pianist. The group included Dr. and Mrs. N. C. McPherson, Jr., Vladimir Zorin, associate professor of voice at Wesleyan and Mrs. Zorin; Ralph Lawton, artist-in-residence at the college; and Annabel Horn, dean of Wesleyan Conservatory.

Members of the Board of the Alumnae Club were invited to a dinner at the Biltmore Hotel honoring the college guests, after which the Wesleyan group were guests of Mrs. James Sanders, president of the Atlanta Music Club, in her box at the Kapell concert. Following the concert Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Johnson entertained at a supper party at their home, where the Wesleyan visitors had the pleasure of meeting a representative artistic crowd.

Mr. Lawton, in his column, "Macon,



## The President Reports

For the third consecutive year, Wesleyan will have full dormitories on both campuses again. More new students are seeking admission for next year than Wesleyan can accept. This has been true the past two years. We have no choice. We must select those students who can profit most from four years at Wesleyan. We may build additional dormitories some day, but Wesleyan has no desire to become a large college. We much prefer to be a small Christian college offering the best individualized education possible. Alumnae often ask: **how does Wesleyan select her students?**

"Mary Barry Person Hall," the dormitory for freshmen on the Rivoli campus, has space for 132 new students each year. Of the freshmen now in the Liberal Arts College, all except 13 have made reservations to return next year. Thus, only 10% of the freshman class will not become Wesleyan sophomores. It is doubtful if any other college will lose so few freshmen this year.

In the Conservatory of Music and School of Fine Arts, of the boarding students eligible to return next year, all but 12 have made reservations. The dormitories there, limited to 150 for all classes, will be full again as they will be at Rivoli.

Why does Wesleyan have such "holding power"? Why are so few freshmen discontinuing? So few failing in their courses? **There are two major reasons:**

First, Wesleyan has the largest and best faculty in its history. A comparison of the Liberal Arts faculty of today with that of fifteen years ago reveals the fact that then we had 32 faculty members, of whom 5 had their Ph.D. degrees and 4 were members of the Phi Beta Kappa Honorary Society. Today of the Liberal Arts faculty of 38, 16 are Ph.D.'s and 9 have membership in Phi Beta Kappa. The Liberal Arts College is a fully accredited member of the Southern Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools,



and Wesleyan alumnae may enter any graduate school on the basis of their Wesleyan degrees.

The Conservatory of Music and the School of Fine Arts has an equally strong faculty in art, music and speech. In fact, it is the largest faculty in these fields of any independent woman's college in the South and each member is an artist in his field. The Conservatory of Music is an institutional member of the National Association of Schools of Music. The curriculum and standards for the School of Speech and the School of Art are in accordance with those prescribed by the leading professional schools in the respective fields.

The second reason for Wesleyan's "holding power" is the careful selective process used. In the worst days of the depression, President Dice R. Anderson held the academic standards high and preferred dormitories partly filled to lowered standards. The wisdom of this policy is reflected in the increasing number of high school honor graduates who are seeking admission to Wesleyan. About one-fourth of the freshmen in the Liberal Arts College for each of the past two

years have been first honor graduates.

The high school course pursued, grades attained, sincerity of purpose, personality and character are all factors that are considered. Our experience teaches that a student is best prepared for the Liberal Arts College if she has had at least 16 courses in high school in the fields of English, foreign languages, mathematics, natural sciences, history and the social sciences. Her grades will place her in the upper half of the girls in her graduating class. She will be interested in church, community and school activities, and will have a sincere desire and a worthy purpose for a college education. She will have an aptitude for leadership in a world that needs Christian women of ability and training as never before. A student in the lower half of her class, or one who does not have 16 academic high school units, may be qualified and prepared but she must give evidence of this fact by making a satisfactory score on a scholastic aptitude test.

The same standard of good preparation, evidence of artistic ability and seriousness of purpose, is expected of students who apply for the Conservatory of Music and School of Fine Arts. The high school courses may be different, however, since students attending a professional school studying art, music or speech will have different interests and aptitudes, and may do their best work in non-academic subjects.

An increasing number of students are making application for admission early in their junior high school year. The advantages are two-fold: to be certain of a place in the dormitories and to secure the counsel of the Wesleyan deans as to the best high school preparation for college. Alumnae can serve their Alma Mater and friends by passing on this advice to prospective students.

N. C. McPherson, Jr.



## Days of 1875 Recalled by Gift

A newspaper account of the graduation at Wesleyan in 1875, a commencement composition, and a class ribbon badge with the printed list of the graduates were recently added to the treasures in the Wesleyan Historical Collection.

Eugenia Jones, A.B. 1875, kept the Wesleyan souvenirs through the years, the newspaper chipping being in her scrapbook. It was her daughter, Annie (Gantt) Anderson, A.B. 1913, who gave them to her Alma Mater. The family has been closely associated with the college through three generations, for Annie's three daughters are all "Wesleyannes." Eugenia (Anderson) Ramsey graduated in 1939, Mary (Anderson) Comer in 1943, and Annie Anderson is now a member of the freshman class.

Annie (Gantt) Anderson is the very efficient president of the Macon Alumnae Club, and has led the club through many successful projects, the most recent of these being the sponsoring of the lecture by Erika Mann.

## For the Historical Collection

An interesting contribution to the historical collection is the elaborate and handsomely carved tortoise-shell comb worn in the early 1830's by Mrs. Thomas Hardeman and given by her granddaughter, Elizabeth (Anderson) Anderson, (Mrs. W. T.) of Macon.

Mrs. Hardeman was Sarah Bluett Sparks, and her husband, Thomas Hardeman, was one of Wesleyan's earliest trustees, serving as a member of the board from 1842 to 1861. Their oldest daughter, Achsha Ann Elizabeth Hardeman, was a member of the historic class of 1840, the first graduating class.

They were staunch patrons, sending their seven daughters to the new college. The youngest of these, Ada Frances (Hardeman) Anderson, of the class of 1851, was the mother of Mrs. W. T. Anderson, and of Dr. John Anderson, whose recent bequest honored his mother by establishing the Ada Frances Hardeman Anderson Scholarship Fund at Wesleyan.

It will be fitting to have Wesleyan students attending in the name of Ada Frances Hardeman Anderson. For though she had only one daughter of her own, she always had in her home some nieces and

cousins who were staying with her to attend Wesleyan. Among these were two beloved alumnae, Pauline (Spain) Thompson, and Pauline (Logan) Findley, whose memory has been perpetuated by the recent bequest of Margaret McEvoy making permanent the Pauline Logan Findlay Scholarship.

These two were regarded as sisters by Mrs. Anderson's daughter, Lizzie, whose physician sent her to Virginia for her school days, but who studied voice at Wesleyan under Mrs. Casey Daniel. Now one of Macon's most beloved citizens, and affectionately known as "Miss Liz-

zie," she is the wife of Mr. W. T. Anderson, widely known editor and publisher of the Macon Telegraph. Her life long interest in Wesleyan is kept aflame by his two great-nieces in the present student body, Julia York of the present graduating class, and Marjorie Key of the class of 1947.

This comb of long ago, her grandmother's, which she has given, recalls many people connected with Wesleyan in the years gone by, and is of interest to a wide circle of friends and relatives and descendants of Wesleyan's pioneer Hardeman family.

## Wassell Greets Chinese Girl On Informal Visit To Wesleyan



CAPTAIN WASELL AND MARY MAI-SUNG EUYANG

Captain Corydon Wassell, noted Navy doctor and hero of "The Story of Dr. Wassell" paid an informal visit to Wesleyan in April, the Alma Mater of his sister-in-law, the late Mrs. John R. Wassell, who was Lucile McRae of the class of 1908.

Captain Wassell was best man in the wedding of his brother and Lucile McRae, which took place some years ago at the home of her aunt, Mrs. A. McD. Wilson, in Atlanta. The bride and groom left for a wedding trip to New Orleans where John Wassell was stricken ill and died suddenly. His young widow went to her husband's family in Little Rock, Ark., and made her home with them until her death in 1939. Captain Wassell wanted to see the college where Lucile McRae spent her

happy college days and where she was a member of the Alpha Delta Pi Sorority.

The famous man spent some time in the Alumnae Office, chatting graciously with a group of students who found him altogether approachable, full of fun and wit, and as reluctant to leave as they were to have him go. Hearing that Wesleyan had in the student body a Chinese girl, Mary Mei-Sung Euyang, who arrived from Chungking last November, he asked to see her and the two carried on a long conversation in Chinese, pausing now and then to explain the gist of their talk to the group of Mary's awe-struck schoolmates. Mary is the first student to hold the Madame Chiang Scholarship, given by the laymen of South Georgia in honor of China's First Lady.



## Wesleyan Alumnae Victory Crusade

### FROM SAIPAN

Lt. Lucile Barco's check for \$50.00 for the WESLEYAN VICTORY CRUSADE arrived on May 7 from this army nurse serving on Saipan!

She had written earlier:

"'The Wesleyan Alumnae' has been following me around from place to place. When it catches up with me, I read it avidly. From it, I discovered that several of my classmates' husbands are on this same island.

"My brother is stationed at Camp Wheeler. I want him to visit the old college of which I have many pleasant memories. Although I was there but one year, 1926-27, as a student at the Conservatory, it inspired a warm attachment which I continue to feel."

### A CHECK FOR THE WESLEYAN VICTORY CRUSADE

### CONTRIBUTIONS WILL BE PRESENTED

to President N. C. McPherson, Jr. on ALUMNAE DAY, May 26

### WILL YOUR GIFT BE INCLUDED?

The class of 1944, our youngest, now leads in the number of contributors.

The class of 1900 has given 100%—of all living graduates.

GOAL ..... \$10,000.00  
1,000 CONTRIBUTORS

RECEIVED BY MAY 1 ..... \$ 8,068.75  
509 CONTRIBUTORS

BALANCE NEEDED ..... \$ 1,931.25  
491 CONTRIBUTORS

SEND IN YOUR CONTRIBUTION TODAY!



## The Wortham Bequest To Wesleyan

From the Will of Nettie (Dunlap) Wortham:

"All of the property shall go one-half to Wesleyan College, my Alma Mater and the Alma Mater of my mother, **Mrs. Mary A. Dunlap**, and of my sisters.

"The property devised and bequeathed to Wesleyan, I give to said college as a memorial to my husband, **Henry M. Wortham**, to be known as the **Henry M. Wortham Memorial Fund**, both principal and interest to be administered as a part of the general endowment fund of said **institution**.

"I authorize the executors of this, my last will and testament, then to sell at public or private sale any and all of the property of my estate should they think a sale necessary or advisable in the execution of the will."

In the execution of this will the trustees faced the necessity of turning into endowment the home and furnishings and personal property of the benefactor. To this end, the beautiful white columned home on College Street was opened April 2 and 3 to friends who paid tribute not only to the memory of its former owner but also to her generation and its gracious and hospitable way of life.

On April 23 the house was opened again, this time for the sale that Mrs. Wortham anticipated and authorized in the carrying out of her plan for endowing her Alma Mater and for turning her possessions into the education of future young womanhood.

Mr. J. H. Elliott, Atlanta dealer, conducted the three-day sale that cleared the house of its furnishings and silver. More than \$20,000 was realized in this way and added to the value of the estate. This amount will be increased further by a later sale of linens and jewelry.

On April 9, a group of Macon alumnae met and passed the following resolution:

WHEREAS our fellow alumna, friend, and representative on the Board of Trustees, Nettie (Dunlap) Wortham, A.B. 1875, left by bequest her entire fortune to be equally divided between Mulberry Church and Wesleyan College, and

WHEREAS she thereby chose these two institutions in lieu of any surviving members of her own family to perpetuate the ideals that she upheld,

BE IT RESOLVED that Wesleyan College retain and cherish in her memory some beautiful possession from her own home which will interpret her womanly interest and taste to all those who will come after her, which will beautify this institution that she has named as her family, and which will be a memorial to her.

On May 4 the Trustees bought for Wesleyan from the estate Mrs. Wortham's handsome silver punch bowl which will be suitably engraved in her honor and which will serve as a permanent memorial to remind succeeding generations of her devotion to her Alma Mater.

Previously the Trustees had changed the name of the dormitory formerly known as Junior-Senior Building to that of Wortham Hall in her honor.



## Dorothy Blount Lamar For Alumnae Trustee



DOROTHY BLOUNT LAMAR

The name of Dorothy (Blount) Lamar, A.B. 1883, is proposed by her fellow-alumnae of Wesleyan as Alumnae Trustee to succeed Willie (Snow) Ethridge, whose three-year-term expires in November.

Mrs. Lamar served as one of the first three alumnae trustees in 1925-26 when alumnae representatives were first admitted to membership on the Board of Trustees. She has the honor of being the First Macon alumna to serve in this capacity. The terms of office of the first three trustees were staggered, and her term was for one year only. The alumnae are calling upon her now to "complete" her service in representing them.

They want her Alma Mater to benefit by her wide experience in the many worth while undertakings to which she has given herself and her talents unflinching, and which have extended far beyond the reaches of her home and section.

Her two heroes, Robert E. Lee and Sidney Lanier, are the inspiration of some of her most successful efforts, notably her work as Georgia Director of the Robert E. Lee Foundation for the Restoration of Stratford, and as Chairman of the Committee for the Advancement of Sidney Lanier for the Hall of Fame. She is Past Historian General and Past President General of the United Daughters of the Confederacy.

In addition, she is trustee of the Talulah Falls Industrial School; trustee of Rabun Gap Nacoochee School; trustee of the Lewis Beck Mother's Memorial Fund for Wesleyan. She is a member of

U. D. C., Colonial Dames, the Adelphean Society now Alpha Delta Pi Sorority, the Women's Auxiliary of the First Presbyterian Church, the Macon Better Films Committee. The Macon Little Theater has bestowed a Life Membership upon her in appreciation of the building and help that she and Mr. Lamar gave.

A writer of known ability, and a lover of poetry and music, Mrs. Lamar is a graceful and charming public speaker. An unforgettable occasion is the time she read Lanier's "Symphony" over a national radio hook-up from New York, accompanied by full orchestra. She is not only a gifted speaker, she is a tireless worker. Sometimes she appears as the lovely toastmistress at a banquet for which she has all but "picked the chickens" that were being served. Alumnae remember with amusement the benefit skit where she selected, trained, and costumed Macon's leading citizens into successful actresses.

They will recall, too, how she led the procession for the breaking of the ground for "Greater Wesleyan" at Rivoli, looking regal in her lavender and purple robe which she swished to one side eventually to wield with sure stroke the pick-axe necessary to break the stubborn earth. They recall numerous speeches she has made on special occasions at Wesleyan,—the ceremony of the dedication of the organ, the naming of the Pullman car for Wesleyan, the presentation of the Lanier flute, and only recently the introduction of Miss Erika Mann as speaker.

For her loyalty to her Alma Mater has been unchanging through the years. In

the Grand Parlor on the Rivoli campus is a copy of Murillo's Madonna given in her honor by her late husband. The Grand Parlor at the Conservatory is named for them both in appreciation for their gifts. Last year she gave the largest single contribution, \$1,000, to the Wesleyan Alumnae Loyalty Fund.

Her husband, Mr. Walter Douglass Lamar, was Wesleyan's friend and encouraged his wife in every service to her Alma Mater. His family has been closely associated with Wesleyan ever since the idea for the college first began. His great uncle, Henry G. Lamar, was chairman of the meeting that Macon citizens held in 1935 in the interest of locating the female college in Macon.

James Lamar, representative from Bibb, introduced the bill for chartering the college in the state legislature in 1936, while another relative, Peter Lamar, was a member of the senate that granted the charter that same year. Mr. Lamar's father, Henry J. Lamar, was a trustee of the college. His sister, Fannie (Lamar) Gately graduated in 1876, and two other sisters, Valeria and Wileyna, attended. Nieces and cousins of both Mr. and Mrs. Lamar attend in the present day.

She is not without honor in her own country: Macon loves and appreciates her. When the premiere of the film, "God Is My Co-Pilot," was held recently, it was dedicated by Col. Scott to "Macon's outstanding citizen, Dorothy Blount Lamar."

Wesleyan will honor herself in placing upon the Board of Trustees this alumna who stands staunchly for all that is most worthy of preservation in the past, for all that makes for the betterment of her fellowmen in the present, and for all that promises firm foundations for the future.

## Alexander H. Stephens and the Chartering of Wesleyan College

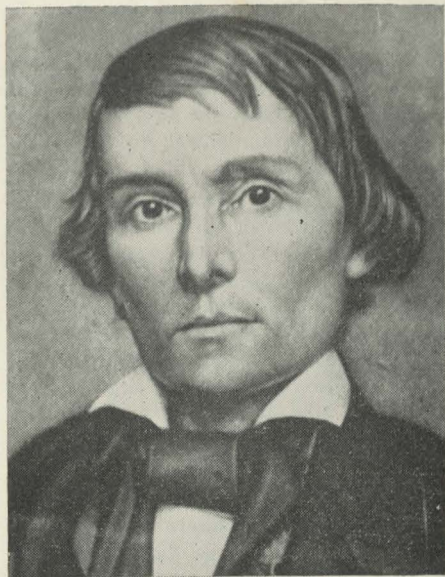
*By Dr. Robert G. Stephens, Washington, Ga.*

In the lives of men there are certain occurrences, events or influences that appear unimportant at the time they occur, but which, in the light of after life, are recognized to be turning points affecting the entire career of the individual. In some men these pivotal points influence events that are very far reaching, extending into the lives of others and often into generations unborn. Such an event occurred in the life of twelve-year-old Alexander Stephens when, on a sabbath morning in 1824, his father gave him a Bible and started him to Sunday school in old Powder Creek meeting house in

Wilkes County, Georgia. It was the beginning of his thirst for knowledge and his taste for reading. He applied himself day and night. He literally devoured all the stories in the Bible and soon stood out as the first scholar in the Sunday school.

Later, after the death of his parents in 1826, when he took up his residence with his uncle and aunt at Raytown, his fame as a Bible student preceded him. When a Mr. Williams, a Presbyterian minister, came there and wanted to establish and start a Sunday school, Alex Stephens was immediately pointed out as the one to help him with the organization and with





ALEXANDER H. STEPHENS  
*As a Young Man*

the teaching. The school was established with a Mr. Mills, a Presbyterian Elder, as Superintendent and young Stephens as teacher. His proficiency in Bible studies, his earnestness and application so impressed Mr. Williams and Mr. Mills that they determined to send him to school to Mr. Alexander Webster, a young Presbyterian minister, who was conducting a flourishing school in Washington, Georgia. Mr. Mills was a man of large fortune and influence and offered to pay the boy's expenses, if he would consent to leave home and go to Mr. Webster's school. In July 1827 Alexander Stephens entered the school of Mr. Webster and became an inmate in his home.

This was another turning point in Stephens' life. Washington was a seat of culture and influence and had a number of schools for both boys and girls. Stephens was introduced to a broader life. He fairly burned for an education and applied himself and advanced rapidly and proficiently in his work. He attracted the attention and impressed such men as Adam Alexander, Duncan G. Campbell, Andrew G. Semmes, Dr. Gilbert Hay and William Dearing, all Presbyterian leaders and advocates of education. Stephens saw that girls were being educated as well as boys. He knew that Mr. Duncan G. Campbell taught a select school for girls in Washington and that a few years before, in 1825, had tried to get the Georgia legislature to charter a college for the higher education of women. All of this had a silent influence over his thinking and his vision for future action.

In 1828 Stephens entered the University of Georgia and was graduated from that institution with first honor in 1832.

Up until this time higher education was for men and there was not a college in the world chartered to give a diploma to a woman.

The idea to educate a woman was ridiculed and laughed to scorn. When Mr. Duncan Campbell, representative from Wilkes county in the state legislature, introduced a bill in the legislature in 1825 to charter a college for women it was voted down by reactionary influences. All innovations and revolutionary ideas are opposed and have to be fought for. The idea of the higher education of women was a revolutionary one in the 1830's and was vigorously opposed. However, Mr. Campbell's move in 1825 had sowed seeds and was producing results.

In 1835 Mr. Daniel Chandler, a son-in-law of Duncan G. Campbell, made a commencement address in Athens at the University of Georgia. He eloquently advocated and urged that women be given equal advantages with men in education. This address attracted wide attention. It was ridiculed, it was praised and it resulted in Mr. James Lamar, representative from Bibb county in the legislature, introducing a bill for the chartering of a school for women in Macon to be known as the Georgia Female College. This bill was introduced November 9, 1836 and on November 11 was taken from the committee and put before the house as a committee of the whole and was passed on November 18, 1836. It was enacted into a law by the governor signing it on December 23, 1836.

In 1836 Alexander H. Stephens was elected to the Georgia legislature as a representative from Taliaferro county. It must be remembered that he was young, unknown and untried. The name Alexander H. Stephens meant no more and was no more known than Alexander Smith or Henry Brown. But Alex Stephens was burning with ambition and had conviction, vision and foresight. He had struggled with poverty and grappled with disease. He had wanted an education, he had fought for an education, he believed in education. He thought men, all men, should be educated and he thought women were the intellectual peers of men and should also be given the same privilege of education as men.

When the bill to charter a college for the education of women was debated in the house of representatives it met with tough opposition. It was ridiculed and maligned and spoken against. When it looked like it might fail of passage an unknown, unheard-of advocate arose and eloquently and passionately fought for its passage. Alex Stephens of Taliaferro spoke in its behalf. He had no prestige and no political influence. He spoke from the conviction of his heart and his plea

was convincing. His advocacy of the bill to charter a college for the education of women was the first rung of the ladder on which he stepped in his rise to fame.

This bill that passed chartered the Georgia Female College at Macon, Georgia, which institution was changed in name in 1843 to Wesleyan Female College which is Wesleyan College today.

In a speech made in 1859 Mr. Stephens has this to say of his connection with the chartering of this college for female education: "Contrast, for a moment in your mind, the condition of Georgia physically and intellectually, in 1836, when I entered the legislature, with her condition now. . . . Then there was but one college in the state and that for the education of men. Then there was not in the state, or in the world, I believe, a single chartered university for the education and regular graduation of women. The Georgia Female College at Macon, incorporated in 1836 with such objects, purposes and powers, I believe was the first of its kind anywhere. The movement at the time was the occasion of amusement to some. I may be pardoned in this presence for saying it met my warm support. . . . Whatever honor, therefore, Georgia is entitled to for her other great work . . . let this still be at the top, the fitting and crowning point of her glory, that she took and holds the lead of all the world in female education."

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## The 100 Per Cent Class

When the first word of the Loyalty Fund for 1945 went out, Louise (Frederick) Hays, class secretary, had the ambition of a "100 per cent contribution" from the class, something from every graduate to the Fund.

Louise is the very busy and efficient State Director of the Department of Archives and History with offices in the headquarters of the department in Atlanta. Nevertheless, she gave much time to writing personal letters to every living member of the class whose address is correct on the files. She had many interesting answers from members of the class, contributions from some "specials" as well as graduates, and—a One Hundred



Per Cent Contribution from her classmates of 1900!

Mary Lucy (White) deJarnette of Marietta wrote: "Your determination to make a good class showing has your old spirit which I admire. I enclose my check. My son, Dr. Henry deJarnette, is a captain now, and has been in the Pacific area for two years."

Lula (Houser) Driskell, teaching in Perry, writes that all of her children except Mary are in the war, two in the South Pacific. Mary is in New York.

Effie (Landrum) Shelton lives in Chevy Chase, D. C., and is a member of the Washington, D. C. Wesleyan Club. She says, "I think I have seen only three of our class since graduation. How I should like to see all of them!"

Kate (Finney) Fowler Munford makes her home in Short Hills, N. J., where her daughter, Margaret (Fowler) Patton, A.B. '27, whose husband is an electrical engineer with Western Electric. They have two fine sons, Bill, 12, and David, 7. Kate's older child, a son, lives in Guatemala, C. A., where she has visited him and his family.

Josie (Reid) Brooks of Athens has been in Atlanta recently with her daughter who was ill.

Among the non-graduates of the class whose contributions helped to swell the class total were Edna (Frederick) Paulin of Atlanta, whose husband, a prominent physician, was called to Warm Springs in April at the time of President Roosevelt's sudden illness and death, and Stella (Austin) Stannard, who is of Santa Monica, Calif.

The class of 1900 is the first class to reach this 100 per cent contributors goal, and Louise (Frederick) Hays, their enthusiastic leader, the first Class Secretary to plan and carry through such a campaign.

## Macon Club Sponsors Erika Mann Lecture

The lecture by Erika Mann, writer, war correspondent, and daughter of the famous Thomas Mann, was one of the cultural high-lights of the year in Macon. Rosaline (Jenkins) Gilmore, National Alumnae president, expressed the feeling of all when she said, "I was charmed with her straight-forward understatement of her heroic exploits and with her beautiful, concise use of the English language."

The Macon Alumnae Club of Wesleyan, with Annie (Gantt) Anderson as president, sponsored the occasion for the benefit of their Scholarship Fund, and, after expenses were paid, cleared \$300 for the fund.

Among the out-of-town alumnae who were present were Sue (Tanner) McKenzie, trustee, of Atlanta, and Rosaline (Jenkins) Gilmore of Thomaston.

## Class Representative Reports

As the magazine goes to press, Mattie (Hatcher) Flournoy, 1902, who wrote to a group of her classmates for the Loyalty Fund, sends in her report and the following notes about the class:

"Louise (Paddy) Wadsworth still makes her home in Newnan. Her daughter, Louise, Wesleyan graduate of '39, is a successful teacher at Druid Hills School in Atlanta; her son is with the ground force of the Air Corps in Italy.

"Annie E. (Williams) Pearce is living in Clearwater, Fla.

Mattie (Hatcher) Flournoy has one daughter who lives next door to her in Columbus. Another (see class notes) has had an exhibition of her paintings at the Studio Guild in New York. A grandson, Jack, Jr., will enter high school in the

fall.

"Mary Addie (Murph) Mullino has a new granddaughter, Mary Kirkland, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Tom Clason of Columbus.

"Hattie (Wimberly) Hudson lives in Seattle, Wash. Her daughter Margaret's husband is with the Southern Railway in Huntsville, Ala.

"Lucy (Simpson) Streyer of Lumpkin has two fine sons, Sgt. Alex H. Streyer with the Air Service Command in France, and W. E., Jr. in Dothan, Ala.

"Annie (Daniel) Brown's husband is clerk of the Federal Court in Columbus. Her daughter, Mildred, and her two children are in Norfolk, Va. for the duration. Ralph is a Lt. (jg) in the Ordnance Bureau in Washington."

## WEDDINGS

### Askew—Johnson

Edith Askew, 1943, to Sgt. Thomas Madison Johnson, Jr., U. S. Marine Corps Reserve, April 21

### Briggs—Nisbet

Betty Briggs, Conservatory 1943, to Ensign Grant Andrew Nisbet, USN of Cheyenne, Wyoming, February 24.

### Chapman—Davis

Mary Clyde Chapman, 1948, to Ensign Robert Homer Davis, Jr., USNR, February 17.

### Cullens—Adams

Barbara Jean Cullens, Conservatory 1944, to Cecil Archie Adams, Jr., of Dublin and Holly Springs, N. C., March 28.

### Daniel—Parr

Frances Daniel, Conservatory 1942, to Lt. Callie M. Parr, Jr., of Newberry, N. C., January 27.

### Devereaux—Potts

Ann Devereaux, 1943, to Pvt. George Kidder Potts, Jr., of Barkshamville, Va., April 2.

### Florence—Houseal

Christine Florence, 1940, to Lt. William Bradford Houseal, Jr., of Birmingham, Ala., February 10.

### Harrell—James

Elizabeth Harrell, A.B. 1938, to Lt. Edward C. James of Weston, Conn., March 8.

### Hooks—Potter

Gloria Hooks, 1944, engagement to S. Sgt. Fletcher Lee Potter, U. S. Army Air Forces, announced in March.

### Lewis—Smith

Caroline Lewis, Conservatory, 1942, to Lt. Harold Travis Smith, Jr., USNR, in March.

### McLendon—Moye

Sue McLendon, A.B. 1940, to Lt. Lorraine Mickle Moye, Jr., USNR, of Cuthbert, February 16.

### Maynard—Smith

Annie Laurie Maynard, 1912, to Commander J. Gregg Smith, United States Navy, of Atlanta, February 24.

### Mielenz—Pendleton

Maurine Mielenz, 1946, to Lt. Charles Roberts Pendleton of Macon, son of Stella (Roberts) Pendleton, in April.

### Peebles—Kirkley

Leighton Peebles, 1946, to William Harmon Kirkley, Emory University School of Medicine, March 24.

### Sanders—Leverett

Marjorie Sanders, 1947, to Lt. (jg) William Hoyle Leverett, USNR, of Parrott, Ga., March 7.

### Smith—Hill

Katherine (Thomas) Smith, A.B., B.M., 1919, to Dr. David L. Hill of Louisville, Ky., April 7.

### Taylor—Slack

Arline Taylor, 1939, to Sgt. Searcy Bradfield Slack, Jr., of Decatur and Camp Claiborne, La., in March.

### Terry—Groover

Kathryn Terry, A.B. 1944, to Captain Denmark Groover of the Marine Air Corps, now stationed at Parris Island after a year in the Pacific.

### Williams—Asbury

Jane Williams, 1946, to Officer Candidate James Stewart Asbury, Jr., of Elberton, April 3.

### Wright—Stowe

Sara Wright, A.B. 1944, to Lt. Benjamin Marshall Stowe, U. S. Air Forces, February 28.



## Wesleyan Professor Overseas Visits Madame Sun

Lt. William F. Waldrop, on the music faculty of Wesleyan until his induction in the army, writes on April 17:

"I spent last fall in China inspecting the security detachments of practically all of the USAAF bases. After returning to India I spent a week in the hospital, and then was given the assignment of Provost Marshal of AAF Hqs. which has kept me very busy.

"I know all of you people at Wesleyan will be interested to hear of my visit to Madame Sun Yat Sen. I was fortunate enough to get in contact with a Chinese friend of mine whom I knew at the University of Iowa, who is now head of the 'National Hydraulic Research Institute in Chungking.' He found where Madame Sun lived, and we presented ourselves at her gateway one Sunday afternoon. On being informed that she was not at home, I left one of my personal cards and a copy of The Wesleyan Alumnae which you had sent me, and we departed. The next morning the gateman appeared at my hotel with a note saying Madame Sun was sorry that she missed me and asking me to come back at four that afternoon. Of course I sent a note saying I would be there.

"I was ushered into the nearest approach to an American home that I have seen since coming overseas. The floor was completely carpeted, a welcome change from the concrete floors of the tropics, and a bright fire burned in the fireplace, making me feel more cheered and comfortable than I'd been since arriving in China. The furniture consisted of modern sectional pieces which were grouped to form davenport and individual combinations, and occasional tables.

"Madame Sun is one of the most attractive and striking people I have ever had the pleasure of meeting. She immediately entered into conversation concerning Wesleyan, my work, America's participation in the war, and of course China's plight, which at that time looked rather dark.

"She was a gracious hostess, serving coffee from Brazil, a pudding made from Chinese fruits which she insisted I eat all of because it was baked especially for me. She invited me to dinner, but I had to decline as I had made arrangement to catch a plane to Kunming.

"She asked to be remembered to all of her Wesleyan friends. She seemed quite concerned over the health of her sister, Madame Chiang, and the fact that she

was unable to go to America with her two sisters. She hopes to join them there after the war.

"I'm sure Wesleyan is nearing the close of one of her most successful years. Please give my best wishes to those of the students and faculty who remember me."

## New Church At Tennille Dedicated

The Rev. I. E. McKellar, formerly a member of the Wesleyan faculty, is pastor of the Methodist Church in Tennille, where a beautiful new building was recently completed and dedicated April 29. Mr. McKellar's former students at Wesleyan will rejoice with him in the accomplishment of this objective which has been foremost in his thoughts since he went back into the pastorate in 1943. The Rev. G. E. Clary, former District Superintendent, and trustee of Wesleyan, had charge of the "Act of Dedication" for the occasion.

The McKellar family is closely associated with Wesleyan. Annabelle (McCrory) McKellar, 1910, and two daughters, Suelle (McKellar) Swartz, A.B. '33,

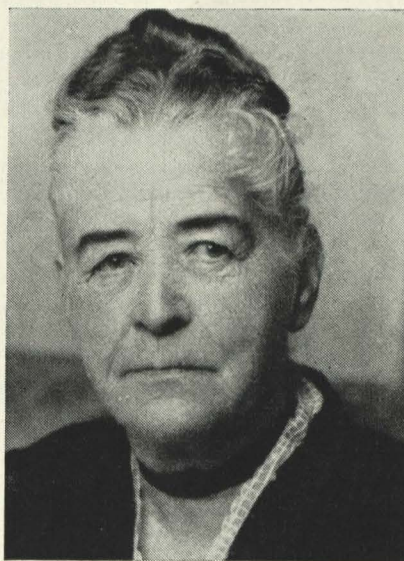
and Addie Rie McKellar, A.B. '39, are alumnae. Mrs. McKellar's mother was Susie Adelle (Berry) McCrory, '85; her sister, Mildred (McCrory) Mitchell, '24; her aunt, Addie (Smith) Munro, '90.

Mr. McKellar's sister, Ella Clare McKellar, A.B. '07, holds the Ph.D. and Th. D. degrees. She recently retired from active teaching and has her home in Tifton. Mr. and Mrs. I. E. McKellar still own their home in Macon, and expect some day to return to the city to live.

## Word Comes From Pfc. Gignilliat

Great rejoicing swept over the Wesleyan campus in April when Professor and Mrs. G. Warren Gignilliat had a letter from their son, Pfc. William W. Gignilliat, reported missing in action in Belgium since December. "Bill" wrote from a German prison camp near Muhlberg, and his letter, dated February 4, assures his parents that he is well and in good spirits. This was the first word the Gignilliats had had from their son since the War Department reported him missing in action.

## An Appreciation—Minnie (Bass) Burden



MINNIE (BASS) BURDEN

Minnie (Bass) Burden, A.B. 1874, died on February 23 in her eighty-ninth year, bringing to a close a unique association with Wesleyan College which continued throughout her long life. She came to the college in 1859 at the age of three years when her father came to take a

position as professor, and her life since that time was bound up in the life of the college. Her vivid personality, her keen and unusual mind, her forceful character and her deep devotion to the college have become a part of the very spirit of Wesleyan.

Just last year there appeared in The Wesleyan Alumnae in two installments her "Memories of Wesleyan" as told to her granddaughter, Ann Maria Domingos. This gave some of her reminiscences of long-ago in her own inimitable way, of the time when the poet, Sidney Lanier, courted Mary Day at Wesleyan, of her college years when she was an ardent Adelphean, of her marriage in the Adelphean parlor in 1880.

Her father, Dr. William Capers Bass, served Wesleyan for 35 years as professor and as president, his connection with the college extending over a longer period than that of any other president.

Her husband, Richard F. Burden, became co-partner in one of the most prominent business firms in Macon, and the Burden home was one of those staunch, Christian homes which are the bulwark of the nation. Their children are: Octavia (Burden) Stewart, A.B. 1906, whose husband, Thomas J. Stewart, is a member



of the Wesleyan Board of Trustees; Eugene Bass Burden, and Alice (Burden) Domingos, A.B. 1908.

In 1937 her grandson, Roy Domingos, received the B.M. degree from Wesleyan Conservatory. In 1939 and 1940 her granddaughters, Ann Maria and Alice Domingos, received the A.B. degree. Roy is now on the music faculty and Alice is registrar at Wesleyan Conservatory. Ann Maria has a position as director of Children's Work at Mulberry Street Methodist Church in Macon. A grandson, Richard Burden Domingos, is with the 15th Air Force in Italy.

There are on both Wesleyan campuses many tangible reminders of this alumna. The Burden Room on the Rivoli campus was beautifully decorated by the family in honor of their father and mother. A guest room on the Conservatory campus was refurbished this year in memory of Mrs. Burden's mother, Ann Octavia Nickleson Bass. In the historical collection are many programs and catalogs of the years before 1900, given by Minnie (Bass) Burden. For the past two years she has given to the Conservatory a scholarship of \$240 in art, known as the Mollie Mason Art Scholarship.

A beautiful memorial to Minnie (Bass) Burden was read at a meeting of the Wesleyan Alumnae Club of Macon by her friend, Mrs. J. C. Hinton, also closely associated with Wesleyan during the many years that her husband was dean and professor. Mrs. Hinton said of her friend:

"She was a product of which the college may well be proud. A beautiful girl, gay, full of fun, loving life, with scintillating wit, quick repartee, gracious mien, she drew all to her. These graces matured, and as a woman she approached the ideal. She made a rich contribution to her church; she seemed an integral part of her college; she had a depth and strength in her love which many friends discovered. Remembering her is in itself an inspiration."

#### IN MEMORIAM

Henrietta (Clark) Capers, 1873  
Minnie (Bass) Burden, A.B. 1874  
Ida (Frederick) Wade, A.B. 1880  
Carrie (Johnson) Rodgers, A.B. 1884  
Willie (Swoll) Sawyer, A.B. 1885  
Ruth (Tinsley) West, 1889  
Sara Jeter (Carter) Barnett, A.B. 1893  
Mittie (Smith) Clyatt, A.B. 1896  
Lillian Holt, A.B. 1905  
Dorothy (Ware) Smith, A.B. 1920

### In Memoriam

Wesleyan learned just as we go to press of the death of Frances (Warren) Heath, 1931, of Hazlehurst on April 15. Frances was a niece of Dr. George Elijah Rosser, for many years head of the Biblical literature department at Wesleyan.

When her student days were over, Frances taught in Griffin, Quitman, and Hazlehurst. She married Charles W. Heath of Hazlehurst, prominent young lawyer, and they have two little daughters, Charlotte, 4, and Lynn, 2.

Frances was ill for two years, and knew for the past year that there was no hope for her recovery. Her calm acceptance of this fact, her poise and fortitude throughout the months brought inspiration to all who knew her. Her death was a source of grief to the whole town, and business houses were closed at the time of her funeral.

She was active in church work, and was interested in all cultural and civic activities in Hazlehurst. Her mother, a sister, and a brother now with the army, besides her husband and little girls, survive.

Many Wesleyan friends are saddened by the death of this young alumna, and extend sympathy to her family.

### CLASS NOTES

1873

Ida (Frazer) Turrentine was given a surprise birthday party on her nintieth birthday by the Women's Missionary Society of Trinity Methodist Church in Miami. Active in church and Sunday School work, this Miamian seldom misses weekly meetings. She makes her home with her daughter, Mrs. E. C. Jackson, and her other children are Mrs. P. B. Booth, F. C. Turrentine, and William M. Turrentine. She is one of Wesleyan's most loyal alumnae, and an ardent member of Alpha Delta Pi.

1875

Kittie (Jewett) Williams is 85 years "young," having celebrated her birthday in April. Her family has been associated with Wesleyan from its earliest days when the first list of trustees bore the name of "George Jewett" to the present when her daughter, Duchess (Williams) Taylor, is an official in the college business office. Another daughter, Hannah, and her husband, Alan W. Simms-Lee, missionaries to China, have been in an internment camp and word was received in America recently of the husband's

## A Letter From the Youngest Alumnae Class

Mary Frances (Robertson) Marlin, Class Secretary of '44, writes:

"Cards from Virginia Sutherland and Betty Bruner tell of sunning themselves for the week-end at Myrtle Beach, S. C.

"Via the grape-vine I hear that Mary (Smith) Starr is going to take courses in education at Emory this summer. Alda (Alexander) Harper is also planning to go to school, rumor being that she will do work on her M.A. at Columbia.

"Elinor Rees came to Chattanooga last week-end to see her sister, Lee (Rees) Buttram, and we had a small Wesleyan reunion. Elinor likes working for Bishop Moore and living in Atlanta.

"Speaking of reunions, some of the girls had a bang-up one in Atlanta recently: Laura Mae Griffin, Colleen Eason, Irene Pound, Betty Tarpley, Carolyn Pitman, and Suzanne (Davis) Hardee, whose husband has gone overseas. Highlight of the occasion was a showing of the wedding pictures of the Davis-Hardee wedding last October.

"Incidentally, in one of the stores recently I ran into Miss Jessie Sue Bynum on her way to Chicago from her home in Alabama. She looked grand, and asked about everyone at Wesleyan.

"Mary Ann Mathews, working for Southern Bell T. and T. Company in Columbus, has been promoted to a teller.

"Martha Harrison spent the week-end with me not long ago. She plans to teach again in Johnson City.

"While Chick is in Germany I am working. Right now I am with NC Railway Freight, but next fall I plan to start teaching in Chattanooga."

death.

1880

The following editorial appeared in The Macon Telegraph shortly after the death of Ida (Frederick) Wade. Living in the lovely old home in Marshallville are Ida's son and daughter-in-law, and their little daughter, Anne.

"The idea embodied in Edward Rowland Sill's poem, 'Let me live in a home by the side of the road and be a friend to man,' was impressively embodied in the life of Mrs. Ida Anne Frederick Wade of Marshallville, who passed away on Wed-



nesday in the community where she was born almost eighty-three years ago.

"She was best known to the outside world as the mother of Dr. John Donald Wade, Oxford graduate under the Rhodes Scholarship Fund, professor of English at the University of Georgia for many years, and one of the South's outstanding exponents of history and literature. As such she is entitled to lasting remembrance. But in addition she was an exemplar of all that is finest in the Old South, with its characteristic culture and hospitality. She was a graduate of Wesleyan College, a member of the DAR, the Colonial Dames, and the first woman steward of Marshallville Methodist Church.

"Her distinguished son was fond of saying 'she was kin to everybody up and down the Central Railroad.' These relatives and a host of friends enjoyed her hospitality. The love of flowers which found expression in her own beautiful garden spilled over into the active part she took in the planting of memorial camellias and crepe myrtle for miles along the highway leading through Marshallville. She sought no eminence in public affairs, but along the cool, sequestered vale of life she exercised a soft and refining influence which will not soon be forgotten."

## 1881

Word has come recently to Wesleyan that Anna (Rheney) Palmer of Waynesboro died on December 29, 1943.

## 1883

On a recent trip to Louisville, Ga., Dr. N. S. McPherson, president of Wesleyan, visited Mary (Matthews) Rhodes who gave to Wesleyan in 1943 a gift of \$1,800 as a scholarship fund in memory of her parents and her son, William. He enjoyed hearing of her son, Dr. Robert Rhodes, prominent physician of Augusta, member of the University of Georgia medical faculty, and of her daughters, Elizabeth (Rhodes) Parham of Jacksonville, Fla., and Lillah (Rhodes) Hardeman of Louisville. Her grandsons are all in the service of their country.

## 1884

Carrie Belle (Johnson) Rodgers, widow of the Rev. Julien S. Rodgers, died in March at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Arthur Irving, in Jacksonville, Fla., and was buried in Macon, Georgia. She was active in church and club work all her life, and was a member of the Riverside Baptist church, where her husband served as pastor. She leaves four daughters: Mrs. Wilfred T. Coates, Mrs. Irving, Mrs. Carl F. Emmart, Mrs. Robert W. Pierce; one son, Captain William J. Rodgers, U. S. Army, a brother, and nine grandchil-

dren. Mrs. Rodgers was one of Wesleyan's most loyal alumnae, always present at meetings of the Jacksonville Club, always actively interested in Wesleyan affairs.

## 1886

Lynn Branham is interested in all that goes on in the world, and has an especial interest in the League of Women Voters. She wrote recently of having an Easter card from Kate Neal in Atlanta.

Stella (Duncan) Cater's friends were delighted to receive recently printed copies of her lovely series of sonnets, "Wings of God," which she calls "a message to a war-torn world." The sonnets addressed to: Our Symbol, America's Spirit, America's Heroes, Our God and His America reflect the faith and courage of the author, and her hope for the future.

Florence Irene Leonard still makes her home in Manitou Springs, Colorado, and is still loyal to Wesleyan and to her classmates.

Ada (Murphey) Pound wrote to her classmate, Emma Smith, in January:

"You will be interested to know that my son, Merritt (Lt. Col. Merritt B. Pound), after a year in India is now stationed in Washington. Stokeley (Major William S. Pound) is still overseas after 2½ years. The past year he has been in Italy. My son-in-law, Lt. Tryon K. Huggins, Lucy's husband, has been in France since September. Willie's only son, Russell Edwards, Jr., is now we think on his way overseas. Murphey, Jr., received his wings in November and is in Monroe, La., for further training. I have been thinking of our class members much during the weeks just past, and particularly of Kate Neal."

Emma Smith hears from many of her classmates, and writes to them frequently. Annie (Hyer) Coleman says that she hopes to be able to join the class on Alumnae Day. "How I miss Bobbie and Kate on such occasions!" she says.

Minnie (Wilcox) Anderson writes: "My grandson, George Thigpen, is with the Ninth Army in Germany and his older brother, Roy, is in the Naval Reserve as an aerial photographer. Louis' young son is just 17, and his daughter is married to a young captain who is a bombardier and has won distinction and flown many missions over Germany. He is back for a while and in Texas with his wife and 7-month-old daughter. Can you believe I am a great-grandmother?"

## 1888

Nan (Carmichael) Beeland was thrilled over a visit from her son, Charles, in March. He has been making films for the Navy for two and a half years.

Emmie (Crittenden) Wooten of Shell-

man celebrated her 75th birthday on February 22. She has six living children, eleven grandchildren, and one great-grandchild. Three members of her family are returned veterans: Col. J. Walter Gurr, husband of Rebecca (Wooten) Gurr, '30, having spent a year and a half in India is now in command of the Reno Air Base; Tech-Sgt. Charles M. Henderson, son of her daughter, Rosa (Wooten) Henderson, '16, having completed 46 missions and over 600 hours in the Pacific as a B-24 engineer, is now stationed at Maxwell Field, Ala.; Lt. Col. Norman Shipley, husband of her granddaughter, Nancy Griggs, is a patient at Lawson General Hospital after serving in the Pacific. Her namesake, Rosa's daughter Emmie Crittenden Henderson, is with the American Red Cross as assistant to the Field Director at Barksdale Field, La.

## 1889

Ruth (Tinsley) West has a new granddaughter and namesake, Ruth Tinsley West, born in March in Scranton, Penn.

## 1891

Mary (Bowden) Addy of Decatur writes: "Wesleyan is one of my greatest 'Thanksgivings,' and I have been thinking lately of the time, 54 years ago, when we graduated.

"I have been married twice, and a widow fifteen years. My daughter and I live together. She has a position in the city since her husband was killed five years ago, and I have a piano class of 25 and usually a waiting list. I have a precious little thirteen-year-old granddaughter and a grandson who graduated in June at West Point. My son, Captain James B. Addy, is an engineer with General Patton's 7th army overseas."

Sallie B. (Comer) Lathrop wrote to her class secretary, Mary (Nicholson) Ainsworth, "I enclose my check for \$54 for the Loyalty Fund. It seems to me right for me to make a thank offering to my Alma Mater for each year my life has been spared since I stood up to read my Valedictory."

## 1892

Kate (Brown) Reid of Somerset, Ky., has a grandson who is a pilot in the 9th Army Air Corps.

## 1893

Kate (Goodman) Thurman of Decatur has three daughters. Anna, secretary of the Emory School of Medicine, lives at home. Katherine is Mrs. W. A. Sanders, Fayetteville, N. C., and Dorothy is Mrs. W. Lowry Walker, wife of a Presbyterian minister in West Point, Ga.

## 1894

Carrie (May) Davis made her first visit in 18 years to Macon and Wesleyan in



February when she spent a week with her relative, Mrs. Jessie Diedrich, former official of Wesleyan. The two were welcome guests on the Wesleyan campus, and Carrie enjoyed reminiscing with old friends of her college days. A program of the Adelphean Society dated May 25, 1894, brought back happy memories to Carrie, who was president of the Society as a student. Some of the names on the program were: Eva May Smith, Sadie Pitts, Nellie Lachlison, Carrie May, Lilla Exley, Bela Hill, Louise Rogers, Nanette Carter, Rosa Taylor, May DeLacy, Eunice Whitehead, Sallie Frazier, Mary Pickett, Lenna Swatts, Evelyn King, Maggie Gunn, Ethel Moorer, Mary Hitch, Lizzie Nolan, and Anna Bell Alsop.

Carrie is now a widow and has her own florist business in Pawtucket. Her four grown children are a joy to her, Ruth, Joe, Carolyn, and Martha. All are married except Martha, who is teaching in the schools of Pawtucket and shares an apartment with Carrie.

#### 1896

Bessie (Napier) Bonner's daughter-in-law, wife of Lt. Cmdr. Emmett Bonner, visited her in February, and was entertained at a round of informal parties during the week she was in the city.

Mittie (Smith) Clyatt's classmates will regret to learn of her death on March 27 in Umatilla, Florida. She is survived by two daughters, Mrs. Ellis Moore and Mrs. J. L. Pickard, and by two grandchildren.

#### 1897

Corinne (Lawton) Jordan's son, James H., was promoted in January to the rank of lieutenant, USNR, and is on the staff of the Damage Control School, Norfolk.

Era (Monk) Bryan, now living in Waxahachie, Texas, where her husband is pastor and she is president of the W.S.C.S., represented Wesleyan as official delegate at the Centennial of Mary Hardin-Baylor College in Belton, Texas, recently.

#### 1898

Friends of Harriet (Goodman) Harman of Tifton are happy to know that she is improving in health after a long illness. She lives in Tifton where she has a married daughter, Harriet (Evans) Southwell, A.B. '25, and a married son, Allan Harman.

Nina (Lively) Hendricks has three granddaughters, daughters of her youngest son, living in Dallas, Texas. Her elder son, J. Walter, Jr., and his wife now have a six months old son, their only child, the first son having died about eight years ago. Nina's only daughter lives near Savannah, so she gets to see her often.

Nina writes, "Memories of Wesleyan days flood back and again it seems I am in Miss Andrews' botany class or Mrs. Burk's rhetoric class, or Mrs. Cobb's class of literature which I so enjoyed. I shall never forget Professor Hinton. Ola Mae Harrison, Emily Wooten, Julia Stovall and I raced one another in that class and kept Professor Hinton with a grin on his face throughout each lesson. Didn't Ellie give us a pace? She and Emily Howe, Lula Harrison, Lucy Evans, Jessie Phillips, Mattie Parks, Ada Heath! Oh, it was such a wonderful opportunity to be in the class with such girls. I cannot forget dear old Professor Derry and his Latin class over in the chemistry building, and also dear Professor Bonnell."

Sue (Stevens) Janes, 3927 Club Drive, Atlanta, is busy looking after her grandchildren while her daughter is head of the advertising department at Davison's.

#### 1900

Abbie Webb is now Mrs. David Frank Patterson of Griffin. Her first husband, B. B. Brown, died in 1936, and she was married in June, 1941.

#### 1901

S. Kate Cooper is in charge of the department of Religious Education at Harwood Girls' School in Albuquerque, New Mexico.

#### 1902

Mattie (Hatcher) Flournoy's daughter, Mary Flournoy Passailaigue, had an exhibition of her paintings at the Studio Guild Gallery in New York in February.

#### 1904

Clare (Boifeuillet) Jones has a granddaughter, Laura Coit, born January 11 to her son and his wife, Lt. and Mrs. Boifeuillet Jones of Washington, D. C.

Bessie (Houser) Nunn of Perry read some of her poems at a meeting of the Macon Quill Club in March, and led a discussion on poetry. She has also given readings of her poems over radio recently.

Martha Drake (Weaver) Sutton writes: "Endowment is the thing which keeps a college in full bloom. I wish I could be rich, just in order to do something for that purpose for Wesleyan."

#### 1905

Classmates will be grieved to learn of the death of Lillian Holt on February 28 after an illness of six weeks. She was a member of Phi Mu at Wesleyan, and was a member of the First Church of Christ Scientist. She made her home in Macon with two aunts, Mrs. Lily M. Johnston and Mary B. Merritt, A.B. 1893.

#### 1906

Elizabeth (Hollis) Childs is living now with her mother and sister in Columbus, since the death of her husband in 1943.

She has two married daughters, one son, a lieutenant with the First Army now in Germany, and three little grandsons. Elizabeth teaches algebra and Latin in Baker Village High School in Columbus, and says she is proud to tell her pupils that the author of their Latin text is her Wesleyan schoolmate, Annabel Horn.

#### 1907

Willie (Erminger) Mallary's daughter-in-law and little grandson, Nelson III, visited her in February en route from Miami to join Nelson Jr. at Camp Butler, N. C.

Elizabeth (Moseley) Cole's office is in the State Capitol in Montgomery, Ala., in the Department of Corrections and Institutions.

#### 1908

Loulie Barnett was Wesleyan's official representative at the dedication of the Edwin T. Roux Library at Florida Southern College March 17.

Myrtle (Smith) Olliff has three sons in the service, the eldest assistant director of flying at an instructors' school in Mission, Texas; the second in the infantry, having been in the Pacific 23 months; the youngest, just eighteen, in training at Great Lakes. Her only daughter, Mrs. Philip Weldon of Griffin, has a little son, Myrtle's first grandson.

Adele (Snowden) Haywood of Scarsdale, N. Y., has suffered a double bereavement in the loss of two sons in the war. Lt. Snowden Haywood, in the 26th division Field Artillery with Patton's Third Army in France, was killed on December 26. The other son was Ensign Alfred W. Haywood, Jr., executive officer on a PT boat, who was killed April 29, 1944, when American PT boats were attacked in error by American planes. Adele's sister, Septima Snowden, '04, had a lovely poem published in *The Villager*, Bronxville, N. Y., called "Requiescat" and inspired by the death of these boys and many like them.

#### 1909

Manelle (Forster) Clements' son, Captain John Franklin Caperton, Jr., returned to the States in September, 1943, after 16 months in Hawaii, Australia, and New Zealand as a bombardier. He wears the Purple Heart, Distinguished Flying Cross, the Air Medal, and the Presidential Unit Citation. Another son, Lt. William F. Caperton, is serving in the European theater with an Engineer Aviation Regiment.

Erwin (Pope) Branch's son, Capt. Henry Branch, was awarded the Silver Star for gallantry in action when he brought his plane to safety after he himself had been seriously wounded.

#### 1910

Susie Mae (Greer) Hollis' younger son



went overseas the latter part of December. Her older son has not been called yet. Her nephew, John Greer, who has made his home with her for five years, will be 18 in May and plans to enter the navy.

Susan (Kroner) Shaw is fortunate in having her daughter Martha at home with her, and Bob, Jr. is still handling chemicals for the Dow Chemical Company. Susan herself is a Gray Lady, does canteen work, and works on gas rationing one day a week.

She has had interesting letters from her brother (also brother of Louisa (Kroner) Johnson, class of 1925), General Hayes Kroner, who is Military Attache in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, and is the head of the United States Military Commission. In the fall he fled as the guest of the Brazilian War Minister to the Italian theater of war, where Brazilian troops are fighting with the U. S. Fifth Army, and to France and England.

William Arthur Bell, Jr., son of Bess (Warren) Bell and brother of Mary Frances Bell, A.B. '42, graduated in February from the Navy Training course at Georgia Tech and is continuing his training at Princeton, N. J.

Martha (Wilkinson) Frazer's classmates deeply sympathize with her in the death in April of her son, Frank, a lieutenant in the air corps on overseas duty.

#### 1911

Marie (Adams) Timmerman is very proud of her young grandson, Charles Fairbanks, Jr., whose mother is Evelyn (Timmerman) Fairbanks, A.B. '39. Evelyn's husband is overseas and she and the baby are with her parents in Macon.

#### 1913

Rebecca (Branham) Blackshear and her Presbyterian minister husband are at home alone much of the time now since their three sons are all away. The twins, Hamilton and Robert, are in the service, Hamilton at Cornell Medical School, USNR, in New York City and Robert a corporal in the army transport command, Nashville, Tenn. David, the youngest, is a pre-ministerial student at Wooster College in Ohio.

Sympathy is extended to Ruth Oberly in the death of her mother in February.

Some of class will remember in the alumnae magazine in 1927, the pictures, side by side, of Bill Crittenden, son of Anne (Cunningham) Crittenden, in his overalls with rake in hand, a prize-winning picture from Hygeia, and one of "Robert and Betty Taylor, children of Elizabeth (Baker) Taylor, president of the reunion class of 1913." News comes from them today:

Bill (William Cunningham) Crittenden is a Phi Beta Kappa graduate of

Washington and Lee University, is a member of Phi Delta Theta, has finished the V-12 program at Duke University, and is now in medical school at Vanderbilt.

Lt. Robert J. Taylor, III is a combat engineer in Germany with the First Army under General Courtney Hodges, brother of Theresa Hodges of 1913.

His sister Betty, now Mrs. Vernon Kyle, has made her home with her mother in Atlanta while her husband has been serving in an amphibious corps in the Pacific. Lt. Kyle has recently returned for hospitalization at Rome, Ga.

"Tibba" Baker Taylor was a popular and feted visitor to Macon in February for the premiere of God Is My Co-Pilot when she was the guest of Mrs. R. J. Taylor, Sr., Mary (Taylor) Peeples, and Mildred (Taylor) Stevens.

#### 1914

Catherine Ethel (Beasley) Willingham is working with the War Department in Washington, now on special service at Camp Pickett. She and her daughter, Catherine (at Wesleyan in the class of 1947), have an apartment near Margery Webster school where Catherine is taking a business course. Catherine's engagement to Julius B. Hanahan was announced recently, the marriage to take place when he returns from overseas. Catherine Sr's son, John, is in V-12 at Tech.

Mary (Morgan) Barber's father, Col. W. T. Morgan of Macon, celebrated his 81st birthday in January. A former councilman and mayor pro tem of Macon, Col. Morgan has the distinction of having served as a member of the Bibb County Board of Education for almost 49 years, longer than any other member.

#### 1915

Frances (Holden) Morrison's family had an anxious time in January and February when her husband's brother was desperately ill in a hospital in Waycross. They are happy that he is now improving rapidly.

#### 1916

Fannie (Johnson) Shelverton, who studied music at Wesleyan in 1916, makes her home with her niece, Mrs. W. A. Capps, in Athens, Ga. Fannie is 82 years old, her loyalty to her Alma Mater unchanged through the years.

Hazel (Rogers) Barker recently went to Washington to join her husband, Col. Ernest S. Barker, who is stationed there with the signal corps. Hazel spent six months at the old Rogers' residence in Macon before moving to Washington, and she and her sister, Kathleen (Rogers) Pape, '18, added much to the musical life of the city.

Minnie (Smith) Zeigler's charming

niece and namesake, Minnie Rebecca Smith, was married March 25 in Columbus to Cedric Errol Faber.

Rosa (Wooten) Henderson's daughter, Emmie, is assistant Field Director of ARC at Barksdale Field, La. Her son, Charles, is stationed at Maxwell Field after completing his missions in the Pacific area as engineer on a B-24.

#### 1918

Katharine (Cleckler) Arnold has her daughter, Beth Arnold McGehee, and little granddaughter, Kitty, with her now, Beth's husband, a Lt. Commander, being now in the Canal Zone. Katharine's daughter, Kitty, will graduate from the University in June, and the whole family is greatly excited over the consecration of Amy (Cleckler) Louttit's husband as bishop of the Diocese of South Florida. Katharine's sister, Bruce (Cleckler) Flanders, '22, and her husband and two daughters plan to spend the summer in West Virginia.

Maurine (Gostin) Mielenz, her daughters, Maurine and Penelope, and son, Lloyd, Jr., make their home in Macon at the old Gostin home on Orange Street. Colonel Mielenz is one of the 155 high ranking officers who were taken prisoners by the Japanese when Bataan and Corregidor fell, and is in a prison camp in Manchukuo. Recently Maurine, Jr., who attended Wesleyan for two years, was married to Stella (Roberts) Pendleton's son, Lt. Roberts Pendleton, who recently received the air medal for "meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flights on combat missions of a hazardous nature."

Kathleen (McCroan) Barron is assistant librarian at Georgia Teachers College in Collegeboro.

#### 1919

Edith (Culpepper) Turpin's daughter, Edith, was elected to membership in the Phi Beta Kappa Honor Society at Vassar College, one of only ten students to be elected at this time.

Marie (Griswold) Whaler's son, Raymond, is with the 94th Signal Bn., attached to General Hodges' First Army in Germany. Marie is credit manager and assistant secretary of the Miami Industrial Bank, president of the Dixie Council, Credit Women's Clubs. She and her mother, Harriott (Griswold) Freeman, 1880, and her aunt, Frances (Freeman) Taylor, 1892, make their home together in Miami.

#### 1920

Ruth (Benton) Persons' son, Lt. H. P. Persons, Jr., was married in March to Eden Taylor of Macon.

Elsa Logan is now with the Presbyterian Board of Missions in New York, and is living at 303 W. 4th Street, New



York, 14.

Frances (Solomon) Baskin's son, William H. III, stationed at Pearl Harbor for five months, was sent in January to California on a mission for the navy.

Allie (Van Devender) Williams' son, Harry G., Jr., was promoted to the rank of first lieutenant in the Air Forces in January. He holds the Air Medal and three Oak Leaf Clusters.

#### 1921

Ellamae (Ellis) League was named second vice-president of the Georgia Chapter of the American Institute of Architects in February.

Margaret (Jones) Roddenberry's two sons are in the Pacific, Lt. (jg) Julien Bostwick Roddenberry and Ensign Ralph Jones Roddenberry, the former having been through the Iwo Jima invasion. Margaret's daughter, Rebecca, is looking forward to coming to Wesleyan in 1946.

#### 1923

Abigail (Graves) Randolph writes from Nashville, Tennessee in April: "Willie Snow Ethridge just addressed A.A.U.W. here in Nashville with everyone "delighted!"

Mildred (Scott) Dykes' attractive daughter, Betty, is in high school and looking forward to coming to Wesleyan. Betty's grandmother, Minnie (Davis) Scott of Lakeside is also a Wesleyan alumna. Mildred is often in Macon with her mother, although her home is in Webster Groves, Mo.

#### 1925

Martha Few writes of seeing Neva (Barrow) Antley in Atlanta in March, of meeting up with Maryella Camp and talking over the 1925 memorial fund named for Goodrich White, Jr., and of planning to come to Wesleyan for Commencement this year, hoping to see Lu, Kat, and Pol on the campus at that time, too.

Stella (Johnson) Ambrose is teaching in the high school in Hickory, N. C., as Coordinator of Distributive Education, teaching retailing and merchandising in the morning and supervising students at work in the afternoon.

Vo Hammie (Pharr) Carr teaches arithmetic and history in the seventh grade in Tifton in addition to her many duties as homemaker. Her twelve-year-old daughter is looking forward to coming to Wesleyan.

#### 1926

Sympathy is extended to Mary Alma (Cobb) Stevens and to Essie Mae Cobb, '29, in the death of their father, Alva Thomas Cobb of Dublin, in March.

Elizabeth Peck has the distinction of being the first and only woman accountant in Mississippi, and was recently ap-

proved as a certified public accountant, one of a few women in the United States to choose this field. In December the firm of Ready and Rea of Meridian, Miss., with which she has been associated, announced the admission to partnership of "Miss Elizabeth Peck, C.A.P., and the change of the firm name to Ready, Rea and Peck." Before going into accounting she was with the Girl Scout organization, and for several years was executive director of the Meridian Girl Scout Council.

Malda (Roberts) Corley has a position at Coke's Studio in Macon. Her daughter, Eugenia, is a sophomore at Wesleyan Conservatory and is majoring in art.

#### 1927

Virginia (Childs) Bootle's nephew, Lt. Robert L. Childs of Atlanta, was killed in action over Germany in February.

Berthine (Osborne) Whitehead of Comer is chairman of "Youth Cooperation" for the state Federation of Women's Clubs. She has two brothers in the service, Captain H. P. Osborne, in Africa, and Lt. Ernest Vandiver, in Arizona.

#### 1928

Elizabeth (Bragg) Sturdivant is living now in Murfreesboro, Tenn., where her husband is Head of the Science Division and professor of biology at Tenn. State College. She writes: "Miss Virginia Wendell, who was dean of women when I was at Wesleyan, lives here with her sister. The historic old Wendell home was recently torn down. Anne (Chapman) Snell, a Wesleyanne, has been very nice to me since I've been here."

Roberta (Jones) Gardiner's brother, Lt. Col. Robert Bruce Jones, was awarded the Silver Star for gallantry in action in the battle at St. Vith, Belgium, December 16.

Maude (McGehee) Hogg of Summerville, S. C., is busy taking care of a three-year-old son and an invalid mother, but finds time for Red Cross work and letters to men and women in the service. Her husband's lumber business is engaged in war production.

#### 1929

Elmina (Chambers) Feagin is in Macon having returned from Fort Leavenworth, Kansas. Her husband, Major Douglas Feagin, Jr., is now in Germany with his mechanized cavalry outfit in the 63rd Division.

Katherine (McCamy) Powers is the efficient librarian of the Washington Memorial Library in Macon. Her husband was recently commissioned a second lieutenant in the U. S. Army, having graduated from Officer Candidate School in New Orleans, and is with the Transportation Corps. Before induction into the army he was credit manager of Sherwin-

Williams Company in Macon.

#### 1930

Louise Bridges is a case worker in the Family Welfare Society in Atlanta, and lives at 676 Piedmont Ave., N. E.

During the recent celebration honoring Col. Robert L. Scott in Macon, his sister, Elizabeth (Scott) Hagan, enjoyed all the festivities. She and Janis Paige, one of the movie stars, had much to talk about since Elizabeth spent a year in Miss Paige's home town of Tacoma, Wash., while her husband, Lt. Charles K. Hagan, was stationed there.

Lorraine (Williams) Garrett recently left her position with the Associated Press, in Columbia, S. C., to begin active service with the Red Cross. She will take a course preparatory to overseas recreational work. For the past five years Lorraine has been editor and publisher of "Cameo," a magazine in simple English for Latin-Americans.

#### 1931

Frances (Rice) Warlick's husband is with the Eastern Aircraft Division of General Motors, and they live in Trenton, N. J. Their three children are Julia, Betty, and Thomas, Jr.

Josephine (Willingham) Crandall's husband is a major at a Ninth Army Air Force Carrier Command, based in England.

#### 1932

Roberta (Cason) Cox was sponsor for the new Emory Victory cargo ship which was launched at Baltimore on April 4.

Dixie Jones, in social service work in Atlanta, is an enthusiastic member of the League of Women Voters, and writes of the fine work her old classmate, Melissa (Jack) Hurst, did recently in putting on the Citizenship School for the DeKalb County League this year. Dixie was very proud when the case work director of her agency visited Wesleyan and was most favorably impressed with the poise and ability of Wesleyan students and the good work of their new professor, Dr. Melvin J. Williams, whom the visiting executive called "alert and atune to the needs of the day."

Genevieve (Vasset) Sannie, Paris, France, has a second daughter, Evelyne, born January 19. Her little Nicole will be five years old this summer and is a happy little girl despite the hardships that have come to all French people during the years since she came into the world. News of Genevieve and her family came to her American friends through a letter from her father, courageous and cheerful in the face of all that has happened. He writes: "Since June we have no possibility of travel between Paris and our country house, so I was obliged to ride



my old bicycle and cover 100 kilometers twice a week. Our garden has been very helpful to us. Before it was crowded with flowers, but now potatoes and vegetables. But we have kept some flowers to maintain traditions and a little of the charm of life!"

### 1933

Margaret (Murphey) Martin sends the following news notes:

"Claudine (Walton) Mays has moved to a new home at 477 Erin Ave., S. W., Atlanta. With no help she is kept busy with three daughters.

"Floy (Simpson) Holloman writes that she and Garland, Jr. are in Washington with her parents for the duration while Garland, Sr. is overseas.

"Virginia (Stanton) Eyer's husband was home for a short leave after being in Miami.

"Betty (Hunt) Burt has her old job back as librarian at Savannah High School."

Margaret herself was recently re-elected treasurer of the Macon Alumnae Club of Wesleyan.

Bernice Sikes' brother, Warrant Officer Julian M. Sikes, was one of five Georgians freed from a German prison camp in Poland by the advancing Russians, according to word received by the family in February.

Katherine (Snooks) Walker has a second son, Felton Snooks Walker, born February 21. Her other children are Laura, 5, and David, 2.

### 1934

Ruth (Cox) Lantz and her husband teach at the Presbyterian Seminary in Chicago and have a church. Both got their M.A. degrees in speech from the University of Michigan in 1942, and have been giving quite a few programs of readings and original impersonations in costumes for various groups. Ruth says it's lots of fun, but her young sons, Tommy and Johnny, are so interesting and delightful that many of the programs will have to wait until they are bigger.

### 1935

Eleanor (Anthony) Solomon has a daughter, Eleanor, born March 2.

Helen (Snooks) Collins and her three-year-old daughter, Lynn, live in Statesboro where her husband has opened a freezer-locker plant.

### 1936

Big things have been happening lately to Amy (Cleckler) Louttit. Her husband, Chaplain H. Irving Louttit, now a major in the Army, returned after four years in the service and a year in the South Pacific, and on April 29 was consecrated as suffragan bishop of the Diocese of South Florida. Holy Trinity Church in

Palm Beach was the scene of the services, and on June 11 at Sewanee, Tenn. the degree of Doctor of Divinity will be conferred on the new bishop. During the past winter Amy and her little son, Henry Irving, Jr., have been in Gainesville, where Amy completed her first semester of work on her M.A. degree at the University of Florida. Her schooldays were over, however, when Henry returned from the South Pacific (where he was awarded the Bronze Star Medal too, incidentally).

### 1937

Helen (Davis) Exley's husband is a major, stationed at Camp Campbell, Ky. Her only brother is a captain with the 77th Infantry.

Martha Virginia (Gates) Dunlap of Columbus has a daughter, Margina, born February 9.

Gladys (Morrison) Wiggins and her young son, Bob, Jr., are with her parents in Atlanta while her husband (son of Dr. and Mrs. R. L. Wiggins of Wesleyan) is with the 42nd Infantry Division in Germany.

Margaret (Snooks) Clodfelter's husband is a captain, on a mission to Alaska with the Air Transport Command. Margaret has a son, Tommy (T.C.III), born last July.

Julia Love (Purvis) Russell of Augusta has a daughter, Martha Jane, born January 20.

### 1938

Joe (Estes) Sherrill writes from Gay, Georgia, where she is now living: "My husband has been a prisoner of the Germans since last November 2. We have a little girl who will be two years old in July. She has surely been a joy to me."

Annette (Gardner) Taylor and her son are living in Winter Haven, Fla. with her father while her husband is on overseas service. She sees Ann Hunck, who teaches in the high school in Winter Haven.

Deaver Hamrick, daughter of Gladys (Bray) Hamrick of Cartersville, left in January to join the American Red Cross. She expected to study at American University in hospital recreation work before being assigned to one of the hospitals in the southeastern area.

### 1939

Betty (Burch) Ridley has a little daughter, Susan Alexander, born in March just a few days before her husband left for overseas duty. Betty is with the Riddleys in Macon, and the whole family enjoys the baby.

Ann Maria Domingos resigned her position as a teacher in the Macon school system to take a position as Director of Children's Work for the South Georgia Conference of the Methodist Church on

January 1.

Charlotte (Kelly) Gafford wants her Loyalty Fund check to go "on a scholarship for some girl interested in creative writing or in journalism." Charlotte's husband is a major, and she is living in Birmingham, 3121 Highland Ave. while he is away. She writes, "I remember frequently my two pleasant years at Rivoli and think of you all with a great deal of affection."

Elizabeth (Shaw) Leverette has a son, James, Jr., born December 8.

Louise Wadsworth says it is time to correct the error in the Alumnae Magazine which listed her among the WAVES. Louise taught English and journalism in South Carolina for four years, then worked for six months in Miami with Pan American Airways by day, seeing Miami by night with Frances (Campbell) Hughes and Ensign (now Lt.) Maryan Smith. She is now teaching physical education and coaching basketball at Druid Hills High School in Atlanta. She and Carolyn (Malone) Carpenter still play tennis together. Virginia Tullis, says Louise, has been dietitian for the Navy V-12 training unit at Howard College since last May.

Clara (Puckett) Winston and her two children, Lane and Peggy, are at home in Tifton while Clara's husband, a doctor with the commission of P.A. Surgeon in the Public Health Service, is in the Pacific. She writes that she and Kay (Parker) Saunders, also in Tifton while her husband, Capt. Saunders, is overseas, had a good time together talking over their Wesleyan days.

### 1940

Helen (Buck) Berquist is at home in Columbus while her husband, Captain Vincent F. Berquist, of Helena, Montana, is overseas. She was married October 28, 1944, at Camp Swift, Texas, to Capt. Berquist, a graduate of the University of Montana.

Marjorie (Reid) Jennings has a daughter, Marjorie, born February 22. The baby's paternal grandmother is Sadie (Flowers) Jennings, '05.

### 1941

Martha (Alsup) Leibell has a daughter, Margaret Louise, born January 25. Her husband, Lt. Vincent Leibell, is overseas.

Sarah (Candler) Gilliland is at home while her husband is in Europe with the Seventh Army.

T. Hoyt Davis in Vienna, father of Eugenia (Davis) Ash, '41, Louise Davis, '43, and Maidie Davis, sophomore at Wesleyan, was appointed Judge of the Middle District Court of Georgia in January, succeeding the late Judge Bascom Deaver, father of Jeannette Deaver, '38.

Jeannette (Harris) Morgan has a new



son, James Calvin Morgan, III, born February 1. Jeannette and her family are living now in Winston-Salem, N. C., at 121 Cascade Ave.

## 1942

Ruth Corry is studying chemistry and biology at Emory University.

## 1943

Mary Hall is working with the Retail Credit Company in Atlanta. She writes that Mary (Clapp) Woelper has a daughter, Mary Elizabeth, born April 4 in Washington.

Mary Dozier's brother, Cmdr. Louis S. Dozier, who was for 18 months in charge of construction at the U. S. Naval Hospital in Dublin, spent some time in Macon before reporting for overseas duty.

Elizabeth (Drinnon) Lewis has a young son, born in March. She is with her parents in Macon while her husband is overseas.

Norma Koplin is a case worker for the Red Cross in Macon.

Lilly Lake says many people can say they live **on** Peachtree Street, but not many can say, as she can, that they live **under** it! For eight hours a day Lilly's work in the advertising department of Davidson's takes her into the basement. Lately she has been doing extra writing for the store newspaper of which Louise (Mackay) Carlton is now editor.

## 1944

Elizabeth Branch left in March for Athens to begin her last year of college

work at the University of Georgia.

Geneva (Davidson) Smith is at home while her husband is overseas. She is working at Robins Field.

Suzanne (Davis) Hardee's husband has gone overseas and she has returned to her home in Fernandina, Fla.

Sarah Glover is taking specialized training for work with the Signal Corps, and are living at Arlington Farms, Virginia.

Gloria Grimes is very happy in her work in the fashion department at Rich's in Atlanta.

Helen Partin is studying chemistry at Florida Southern College in Lakeland.

Elinor Rees resigned her position with the Y.W.C.A. in Savannah to take a position on March 1 as secretary to Bishop Arthur J. Moore with headquarters in Atlanta.

Frances Sanders is working hard as a statistician at the Bureau of Labor Statistics, U. S. Department of Labor, Atlanta.

Letters from Dotte Smith, who is a flight stewardess with the Pan-American Airways are full of enthusiasm about the distant and interesting places she is seeing in connection with her work. She is now flying between Puerto Rico and Haiti, and Miami where she and her sister, now Lt. (jg) Maryan Smith, have a small house together. In spite of "working like a Trojan" when on duty, and studying Spanish besides, Dotte manages to have a wonderful time. Of Puerto Rico during her first flight there she says: "It is a beautiful place. My room at the hotel looked right down into the patio with

gay tile floor and huge plants, and the patio was hanging right over the water! There were big jagged rocks stretching up out of the water and the waves pounded and crashed over them sending the sea spray miles high. I never could make up my mind whether night with the moon on the water or early morning or sunset is the best part of the day."

## 1945

Stevens (Dessau) Ashmore's husband is a first lieutenant in the 9th Army in Germany. Their son, Walter Glenn Ashmore, Jr., was born November 3, 1944, and he and Stevens are living with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Washington Dessau, while Walter is overseas. Mrs. Dessau was Frances Stevens ('08) and Stevens has two sisters at Wesleyan now, Georgann Dessau ('47) and Cordelia Dessau who is a student at the Conservatory.

## 1946

Hettie Allen is employed with the Delta Airlines in Atlanta.

## 1946

Betty Page has been made Program Director for WMLT, the Dublin radio station, and has sponsored local news spot "Talk of the Town." She is very happy in her work and her mother, Elizabeth (Garrett) Page, '24, is very proud of her.

## 1947

Pat Darden sends along an enthusiastic message with her Loyalty Fund check, "Wesleyan is a truly great school and shall be even greater in the years to come!"